

## PLAYING WILL BEGIN TO-DAY

## Cleveland Anxious to Win from Indianapolis the First League Ball Game.

St. Louis Breaks Its Record—Cincinnati, Baltimore and the Athletics Take Games from Their Opponents—Memphis Races.

The League baseball championship season will open to-day, and the Hoosiers will meet the Cleveland team in the first of a series of four games on the home grounds, at 4 o'clock. The local management has made extensive preparations for the occasion, and if the conditions are favorable, the start will be in first-class style. At 2:30 o'clock the two clubs will leave the New Denison, and go through the principal downtown streets, led by the When Band. The home team will ride in Frank Bird's trolley coach, behind four horses, while the visitors will follow in carriages, all of the players being in uniform. The invitations sent out to the Governor, State officials and other prominent people have been very generally accepted, and as the advance sale of seats is large, the capacity of the grounds will, no doubt, be tested to its utmost by a representative crowd. The band will be in the grand stand, and between innings will play.

The visiting club, with sixteen members, arrived at 12:30 o'clock last night, and registered at the New Denison. Manager Loftus said to a reporter that his team is in fairly good shape and he feels confident that the Hoosiers will get no more than two or three. He thinks they will be kept very busy to do that well. The Clevelandists have out of the regular players, and Snyder joined it here, having arrived yesterday. He has been practicing with the local players. He has not caught in any of the regular games, though he claims to be in good form. The Hoosiers have had a rest for three days, and are ready for the fun to begin. Getzien, who will pitch, is in good condition, and that will be his first to win the opening game without the aid of his teammates. In fact, all of the Hoosiers will do their utmost, and if the visitors secure a victory this afternoon they will have to play hard for it. Captain Glascock and his men recognize the importance of winning as many as possible of the opening games, and to-day's contest will be played for all there is in it.

The management, expecting a large crowd, has arranged for an additional turn of the regular players, and all those holding season books or reserved seats are requested to go through that entrance. It will facilitate matters very much. The two teams will be played as follows:

Hines	Center	McKeen
Glascock	Short	McKeen
Peun	First	McKeen
Buckley	Catcher	Snyder
Meyers	Left	Twitche
Basnett	Second	Radford
McGeachy	Right	Radford
Getzien	Pitcher	Faatz
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## Base-Ball Notes.

Game will be called at 4 o'clock.

Shreve has improved very much and is able to be out.

Umpire Barnum is here and will officiate this afternoon.

Treasurer Howe, of the Cleveland club, will arrive this morning from that city.

Faatz, Cleveland's first baseman, still suffers from the effects of his broken wrist.

Whitney will pitch in one of the Cleveland games. Daily or Meyers will catch his delivery.

The home team has a splendid system of signals. They have worked well in the practice games.

Indianapolis was a favorite over Cleveland in the pool rooms last night, the odds being nearly two to one.

Captain Glascock will be heard on the coaches' lines this afternoon, and McGeachy will be to the front also.

## American Association.

LOUISVILLE, 17; ST. LOUIS, 7.

LOUISVILLE, April 23.—St. Louis was defeated here, to-day, by Hudson's failure in the box. He was hit freely from the second inning. Errors by St. Louis helped out the score. Hecker pitched a strong game, and only seven hits were made off him.

Louisville had Kerins and Ehret in place of Tomney and Brown, and the following was perceptibly better. Attendance about 1,000. Score:

ST. LOUIS	R	H	E	LOUISVILLE	R	H	E
Latham	2	10	2	Ehret	2	1	0
Robinson	2	10	2	Wolf	2	1	0
O'Neill	1	10	0	Esteban	1	10	1
Caskey	1	10	0	Weaver	1	10	1
McCarthy	1	10	0	Hecker	1	10	1
Duffie	1	10	0	Raymond	1	10	1
Fallen	1	10	0	Vaughan	1	10	1
Boyle	1	10	0	Shannon	1	10	1
Hindman	1	10	0	Kerins	1	10	1
Bellman	1	10	0	Stratton	1	10	1
Totals	17	107	11	Totals	7	107	11

Score by innings:

St. Louis.....0 2 0 2 1 0 0 7

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Earned runs—Louisville, 7; St. Louis, 4. Two-base hits—Duffie, 2; Ehret, 2; Hecker, 2. Three-base hits—Hecker, 2; Vaughn, 2. Sacrifice hits—Latham, 1; O'Neill, 1; Caskey, 1; Duffie, 1; McCarthy, 1; Duffie, 1; McCarthy, 1; Duffie, 1; McCarthy, 1. Errors—Hecker, 2; Vaughn, 2. Passed balls—Hecker, 2; Vaughn, 2. Time—2:20. Umpire—Daniels.

CINCINNATI, 7; KANSAS CITY, 5.

CINCINNATI, April 23.—The Cincinnati won a hard-fought ten-inning game from Kansas City to-day. The batting was very light, but the Cincinnati were fortunate in bunting their hits. Frank Bell, a local umpire, officiated, and much fault was found with his work. The fielding of Beard and Manning were the features. Score:

CINCINNATI	R	H	E	KANSAS CITY	R	H	E
Nicol	1	10	1	Long	1	10	1
McPhee	2	10	1	Hamilton	2	10	1
Reilly	1	10	1	Manning	1	10	1
Croft	1	10	1	Stearns	1	10	1
Tebau	1	10	1	Burns	1	10	1
Reid	1	10	1	Hoover	1	10	1
Truitt	1	10	1	Barkley	1	10	1
Baldwin	1	10	1	Davis	1	10	1
Duryea	1	10	1	Sullivan	1	10	1
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Stovey	1	10	2	Mart	1	10	2
Lyons	1	10	2	Duffy	1	10	2
Larkin	1	10	2	Johnson	1	10	2
Bier	1	10	2	Orr	1	10	2
Purcell	1	10	2	O'Connor	1	10	2
Fennell	1	10	2	Estey	1	10	2
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## KNOUFF, MARR, ORR. Double plays—Esterday to Greenwood to Orr; McTamm to O'Connor to Johnson; and O'Connor to Johnson to Larkin.

First base on balls—Stovey, Fennelly, McTamm, Johnson, Orr, O'Connor, Mays. First base on errors—Larkin, Gunning, Knouff, McTamm. (2.) Passed ball—O'Connor. Wild pitches—Mays, 2. Time—2:00. Umpire—Ferguson.

BALTIMORE, 5; BROOKLYN, 4.

BALTIMORE, April 23.—In a pitchers' game, to-day, the Brooklyn were defeated. Horning threw four out at the plate in the ninth inning, and prevented a tie. Tucker made a home-run hit in the seventh inning which won the game. Score:

BALTIMORE	R	H	E	BROOKLYN	R	H	E
Griffin	1	10	2	Plunk	1	10	2
Tucker	1	10	2	O'Brien	1	10	2
Mack	1	10	2	Collins	1	10	2
Foran	1	10	2	Burns	1	10	2
Shladie	1	10	2	Font	1	10	2
Farrell	1	10	2	Corkin	1	10	2
Sommer	1	10	2	Clark	1	10	2
Foreman	1	10	2	Smith	1	10	2
Quinn	1	10	2	Terry	1	10	2
Totals	8	107	11	Totals	4	107	11

Score by innings:

Baltimore.....1 1 0 0 2 1 0 0 5

Brooklyn.....2 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 4

Earned runs—Baltimore, 1. Two-base hits—Smith (2). Home run—Tucker. Sacrifice hits—Tucker, Farrell, Burns, Clark, Terry. Double plays—Baltimore, 3. First base on balls—Orr, Foreman, 1; of Terry, 7. Hit by pitched ball—Foreman, 2. Struck out—By Foreman, 2; by Terry, 10. Passed balls—Clark, 3. Wild pitches—Foreman, 3; Terry, 1. Time—2:15. Umpire—Holland.

The New York Club Loses Its Grounds.

NEW YORK, April 23.—The New York Base-ball Club is homeless. Governor Hill to-day vetoed the bill recently passed by the Legislature to prevent the cutting of streets through the Polo grounds. The struggle through the Polo grounds and the friends of base-ball has been going on for about two years, and the lovers of sport have so far been able to prevent the cutting up of the grounds of the New York club, but the action of the Governor to-day puts the struggle, and the property-holders are finally victorious. The managers of the New York club felt sure they could prevent the destruction of the grounds, and accordingly have made no arrangements looking toward new grounds. They have the choice between Staten island and the Jersey flats.

Memphis Jockey Club Races.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 23.—This was the second day of the annual spring meeting of the Memphis Jockey Club. The weather was simply charming, the track in splendid condition, and the attendance showed quite an increase over yesterday. The judges were Messrs. John Overton, Jr., Zeb Ward and Sam Tate, Jr. Mr. James G. Sheridan officiated as starter.

First Race—Selling purse; three-year-olds; three-quarters mile. The start was a strong one, and the horses were heated to lengths in front of Sunflower, who was a length in front of J. T., and three lengths separated him from the others, who were bunched. The race was won by Sunflower, who was taken advantage of by his jockey, and he was never headed, winning handsily by a length from Macaney, second, and a distance from the others. Time, 1:17. The odds against the winner were twenty to one.

Second Race—Purse for all ages; one and one-half mile. The start was a strong one, and the horses were heated to lengths in front of Sunflower, who was a length in front of J. T., and three lengths separated him from the others, who were bunched. The race was won by Sunflower, who was taken advantage of by his jockey, and he was never headed, winning handsily by a length from Macaney, second, and a distance from the others. Time, 1:17. The odds against the winner were twenty to one.

Third Race—Purse for all ages; one and one-half mile. The start was a strong one, and the horses were heated to lengths in front of Sunflower, who was a length in front of J. T., and three lengths separated him from the others, who were bunched. The race was won by Sunflower, who was taken advantage of by his jockey, and he was never headed, winning handsily by a length from Macaney, second, and a distance from the others. Time, 1:17. The odds against the winner were twenty to one.

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Seventh Race—Purse for all ages; one and one-half mile. The start was a strong one, and the horses were heated to lengths in front of Sunflower, who was a length in front of J. T., and three lengths separated him from the others, who were bunched. The race was won by Sunflower, who was taken advantage of by his jockey, and he was never headed, winning handsily by a length from Macaney, second, and a distance from the others. Time, 1:17. The odds against the winner were twenty to one.

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